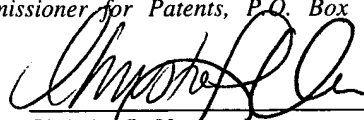




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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME  
FROM THE OFFICE ACTION

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Applicant : Gregory A. Dougherty, Sr., et al. Confirmation No. 7243  
Application No. : 10/727,490  
Filed : December 5, 2003  
Title : APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR CREATING A VORTEX FLOW

Grp./Div. : 1723  
Examiner : Tony Glen Soohoo

Docket No. : 56625/E242

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Commissioner:

Applicant petitions the Commissioner to extend the time for response to the Office action dated November 16, 2005 for two month(s) from February 16, 2006 to April 17, 2006.

The fee for extension of time required by 37 CFR § 1.17 is calculated below.

CALCULATION OF FEE			
LENGTH OF EXTENSION	SMALL ENTITY	LARGE ENTITY	FEE
WITHIN FIRST MONTH	\$ 60	\$ 120	\$0
WITHIN SECOND MONTH	\$ 225	\$ 450	\$225
WITHIN THIRD MONTH	\$ 510	\$ 1020	\$0
WITHIN FOURTH MONTH	\$ 795	\$1590	\$0
WITHIN FIFTH MONTH	\$1080	\$2160	\$0


Submitted herewith is a check for \$ 225 to cover the cost of the extension.

**Petition for Extension of Time**  
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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required by this paper to Deposit Account No. 03-1728. Please show our docket number with any charge or credit to our Deposit Account. **A copy of this letter is enclosed.**

Respectfully submitted,

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